

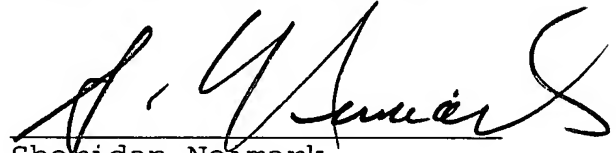
REMARKS

The above preliminary amendment is made in order that prosecution will proceed more rapidly by the avoidance of a further restriction requirement. However, the apparatus claims are deleted without prejudice to applicant's rights to pursue such claims in a divisional application, based on the restriction requirement in the parent application, and also without prejudice to the presently claimed method invention of claims 1-6.

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